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JOHN D. RICH, CPA, CGFM

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### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

#### **Senior Advisor, Chief Financial Officer's Council<sup>1</sup>**

Office of Government-wide Policy, GSA

08/2015 - Present

- Provided advice and expertise to the CFO Council chaired by the Controller of the United States
- Authored a study on CFO Act *Agency Implementation of Payment Recovery Audit Requirements* as required by the Improper Payments Elimination and Recovery Act (IPERA).
- Led update of government-wide financial management benchmarking measures for 2017
- Led government-wide update of OMB Circular A-136, *Financial Reporting Requirements*

#### **Director, Financial Reporting Division, Office of Financial Policy and Operations, GS-0510-15**

Office of the Chief Financial Officer, GSA

1/2015 – 08/2015

- Direct supervisor with responsibility for producing GSA's financial statements and 98 monthly GTAS trial balance files.
- Certified all GTAS files reported to Treasury on time for March through July despite a decrease in staffing by 22% (9 to 7).
- I am very proud of the team Employee Viewpoint Survey results from my time as division head. We had 100% participation the team indicated they were listened to, accomplished goals as a team, and overcame all obstacles.

#### **Executive Officer, Office of Financial Policy and Operations, GS-0510-15**

Office of the Chief Financial Officer, GSA

10/2011 – 12/2014

- Reported to the SES Director of Financial Policy and Operations (BC) and managed various high level projects in which office wide responses or viewpoints were required. Often served in the Acting Office Director capacity when needed.
- Provided day to day oversight of the roughly \$30M office budget consisting of over 300 FTE and multiple contracts.
- Tracked the strategic goals of the office and worked with the directors of each division (my peers) to formulate strategies and document effectiveness for achieving each strategic goal.
- Managed the office trainee program to include hiring, evaluating, scheduling rotations, and assigning developmental projects.
- GSA Financial Statement Audit:
  - coordinated the review and signature of Management Representation Letters
  - led agency effort to compile action plans for all significant audit findings
  - coordinated agency response to audit requests, and ensured all requests were answered appropriately and in a timely manner
- Led the development of policy for GSA's implementation of SFFAS 44, *Accounting for Impairment of General Property, Plant, and Equipment Remaining in Use*;

#### **Staff Accountant, Office of Financial Policy and Operations, GS-0510-9/14**

Office of the Chief Financial Officer, GSA

2005 – 10/2011

- GSA Performance and Accountability Report (PAR) or Agency Financial Report (AFR):
  - Served as the AFR Contracting Officer's Representative (COR) and project lead from 2006 to 2010

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<sup>1</sup> [www.cfo.gov/about/](http://www.cfo.gov/about/)

- Authored numerous parts of GSA AFR's to include Administrator Letters, CFO Letters, Financial Statement Analysis, and How GSA Benefits the Public.
- Shifted the AFR from print to web-based, reducing printed copies from 350 in 2008 to only 50 in 2010.
- Completely redesigned the 2009 AFR Financial Analysis and Summary<sup>2</sup> section in order to convey meaningful information to non-financial readers.
- Proposed and implemented GSA's first web-based AFR and the agency's first interactive financial data.<sup>3</sup> (2009)
- Developed GSA's first Schedule of Spending<sup>4</sup> and worked with OMB on the A-136 task force to develop requirements for this schedule. (2010)
- Developed CFO Scorecard, which provided Accounts Payable, Accounts Receivable, Undelivered Orders, Obligations, and Credit Card measures all on a single page. This report used GSA's regional structure to encourage healthy competition among regions and drive financial improvement within the agency. Later as Executive Officer I oversaw the team who produces the CFO Scorecard and briefed the CFO and PBS Commissioner on the results monthly.
- Comprizon to Pegasys Timeliness Report (2010 to 2014)  
The Public Buildings Service acquisition system, Comprizon, does not interface with the agency's accounting system of record, Pegasys. I developed a report to measure how timely contracts from Comprizon are entered into Pegasys. The report has served as a valuable internal control and has driven improvement in timeliness from 43.2% on time in April 2010, to 82.5% for July 2014.
- In June of 2004, 87.41% of the amounts in GSA's suspense funds were over 60 days old. After researching this issue I led a team to bring GSA into compliance with Treasury's new requirement. As a result, more than \$16 million sitting idle in GSA funds was returned to Treasury. By FY 2007 the team had eliminated all amounts sitting in these funds for more than 60 days, making GSA "green" on all Treasury measures.

#### EDUCATION/CERTIFICATIONS

- Bachelor of Science in Accounting Control Systems, University of North Texas (b) (6)
- Certified Public Accountant, Commonwealth of Virginia (b) (6)
- Certified Government Financial Manager, [REDACTED]
- Member, Association of Government Accountants

#### REFERENCES

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<sup>2</sup> [http://gsa.gov/AFR/afr\\_12\\_finanalysis1.html](http://gsa.gov/AFR/afr_12_finanalysis1.html)

<sup>3</sup> [http://gsa.gov/AFR/afr\\_13\\_interactivefin.html](http://gsa.gov/AFR/afr_13_interactivefin.html)

<sup>4</sup> <http://gsa.gov/portal/content/209853>